

Needham Youth Services

Youth Commission Meeting Notes

September 10, 2014

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 6/11/2014; September Department Report; VIP Program Evaluation Compilation; Safe Surf Workshop Survey Report; Picture Perfect Activity Responses; Extreme Looks Photo Album; Extreme Looks Evaluation Compilation; Project VAN Photo Album; and Project VAN Participant Evaluation Compilation.

- **Accepted Minutes of 6/11/2014**

- **Meet New Board Member Sonia Raja**

This is the first meeting for our new student representation, Sonia Raja. Sonia is a junior at Needham High School and will be serving a two year appointment on the Board.

- **Meet new Social Worker Liz Loveless**

This is the first meeting for our new Social Worker, Liz Loveless. Liz was a Clinical Intern in our office a few years ago and has consulted with us in the past on program such as VIP.

- **Vote for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair**

Congrats to Karen Folb and to Julie Stevens and thank you for continuing in the roles of Chair and Vice-Chair.

- **Community Focus**

Discussed a range of issues including the beginning of the school year and the domestic violence situation that involves the NFL.

- **Programs/Services Update:**

- Update on Peer Tutor Program; upcoming Peer Tutor Match Saturday.
- Update on the Domestic Violence Action Committee; first meeting was held last week.
- Update on the Youth Resource Network; first meeting held on 9/10.
- Update on the VIP Program; interviewing now and program begins on 11/18.
- Update on QPR Workshops; first one is slated for 12/3.
- Update on A Conversation...Workshops; first one is slated for 10/28.
- Update on the 2014/2015 Clinical Intern, Elisabeth Compton.
- Update on Middle School Parenting Conference slated for Saturday, 11/22.
- Update on program with St. Joe's on leadership.
- Reviewed new online Volunteer Listing.
- Reviewed online Employment Listing.
- Reviewed the 2014 Extreme Looks Program.
- Reviewed the 2014 Project VAN Program.
- Presenting to the Needham School Committee in November.

- **Fiscal Year 2015 & New Part-Time Position**

Discussed FY 2015 matters, the upcoming FY 2016 planning process, and the new part-time Social Worker position.

- **Old/New Business**

Voted to support the merging of the Human Service budget with the Health budget (final voted was 4 in the affirmative, 2 in the negative, and one abstention).

- **Next Meeting**
Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 5:30 pm
- **Adjourn**

Members Present:	Karen Folb, Julie Stevens, David Bookston, Regina Longley, Susan Patkin, Sonia Raja, and Vin Springer
Members Absent:	Kevin Keane
Staff Present:	Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, and Liz Loveless
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